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PERTAINS TO WEEK IN REVIEW, PART III, NORTH VIETNAM, PARAGRAPHS B AND C.3.
XXMMENP03-TB22040 3/04 PR96-70 CONTAINS ~~ISHTAR~~ (IN PARAGRAPHS SO MARKED)
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC NVA B3 FRONT FORCES
OPERATING IN WEST-CENTRAL KONTUN PROVINCE REMAINED IN POSITIONS FROM WHICH THEY
APPLIED PRESSURE TO CIDG CAMPS AT DAK SEANG AND BEN HET. SUSPECTED ELEMENTS OF
THE NVA 40TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT ATTEMPTED TO SUPPRESS ALLIED ARTILLERY FIRE
WITH MORTARS AND RECOILLESS RIFLES AND CONTINUALLY RECONNOITERED ALLIED
POSITIONS, AS DID MILITARY INTELLIGENCE (MI) ELEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
POSSIBLE 28TH RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION, B3 FRONT. SUSPECTED ASSOCIATES OF THE
NVA 28TH REGIMENT MANEUVERED EAST AND SOUTH OF DAK SEANG AND REPORTED ON AN
ENGAGEMENT WITH ALLIED INFANTRY. MESSAGE CORRESPONDENCE TOWARD THE END OF THE
WEEK WAS LARGELY CONCERNED WITH TRANSPORTATION AND SUPPLY IN THE IMMEDIATE DAK
SEANG AREA AND WITH THE CAPTURE OF ALLIED PERSONNEL NORTH OF KONTUM CITY. ~~TOP SECRET UMBRA~~
5. MILITARY REGION 10 ON 15 AND 18 APRIL, THE SUSPECTED HQ, VC
275TH REGIMENT WAS LOCATED IN SOUTHEASTERN KRATIE PROVINCE, CAMBODIA. ON 17
APRIL, THE PROBABLE LIBERATION NEWS AGENCY (LNA) SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT TO HE VC
5TH DIVISION INFORMED THE MAIN OFFICE OF THE LNA THAT IT WOULD MAINTAIN RADIO
SILENCE UNTIL 25 APRIL. IN THE PAST, LNA ELEMENTS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED RELOCATING
DURING PERIODS OF RADIO SILENCE. ~~SECRET SPOKE~~ 6. NAM BO SUBREGIONS IN THE NAM
BO SUBREGIONS, HQ, SUBREGION (SR) 2 AND ITS SUBORDINATES, AS WELL AS ELEMENTS
OF THE NVA 1ST REGIMENT DISCUSSED RESUPPLY AND RECONNAISSANCE ACTIVITY AND
ATTACK PLANS. ON 13 APRIL, HQ, SR 2 REQUESTED A STATUS REPORT OF \$COMBAT
TARGETS\$ FROM A SUBORDINATE AND URGED THE SYSTEMATIC WIPING OUT OF ALLIES ON A
PLATOON AND COMPANY LEVEL. FURTHER, ON 13 AND 14 APRIL, SR 2 ELEMENTS DISCUSSED
FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES AND RECONNAISSANCE OF ALLIED ACTIVITIES, WHILE ON 14
APRIL, UNIDENTIFIED COMMUNIST ELEMENTS DISCUSSED RICE AND AMMUNITION RESUPPLY.
COMMUNICATIONS OF 15 APRIL WERE CONCERNED WITH PREVIOUS CONTACTS WITH ALLIED
FORCES, AND ON 16 APRIL, HQ, SR 2 ORDERED RECONNAISSANCE AND AN ATTACK ON
ALLIED FORCES. IN NVA 1ST REGIMENT COMMUNICATIONS ON 13 APRIL, REGIMENTAL
ELEMENTS RECOUNTED THE RESULTS OF PAST ACTIVITY AND PLANS FOR NEW ATTACKS,
WHILE MESSAGES ON 14 APRIL WERE CONCERNED WITH LOGISTICS. IN ADDITION, ONE
REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATE WAS ORDERED TO FIRE ON AN UNSPECIFIED AIRFIELD. MEANWHILE,
HQ NVA 7TH DIVISION DIRECTED 5 ASSOCIATES TO ASSESS RECENT FIGHTING, AND ON 15
APRIL, RECEIVED A LIST OF TARGETS FOR PROPOSED ATTACKS BY FIRE. FINALLY, THE VC
9TH DIVISION HAS APPARENTLY COMPLETED A RELOCATION TO ITS FORMER BASE AREA IN

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WESTERN TAY NINH PROVINCE. ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ 7. MILITARY REGION 7 IN THE PHUOC TUY-LONG KHANH PROVINCE AREA, THE SUSPECTED HQ, BA RIA-LONG KHANH PROVINCE AND THE SUSPECTED VC 448TH AND 445TH LOCAL FORCE BATALIONS REPORTED CLASHES WITH THE ALLIES, AS WELL AS PLANS FOR A STRIKE BY THE 445TH BATTALION AGAINST ALLIED FORCES ON 12 APRIL. IN ADDITION, ON 15 APRIL THE 448TH BATTALION REPORTED COMMENCING TACTICAL ACTIVITIES IN SPITE OF MANY SETBACKS, AND ARRANGED A RENDEZVOUS WITH THE PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS. LATER, ON 18 APRIL THE 445TH BATTALION REPORTED HAVING ATTACKED AN ALLIED PACIFICATION TEAM AND HAVING BEEN AMBUSHED BY ALLIED FORCES ON THE NIGHT OF 13 APRIL. MEANWHILE IN THE BINH TUY PROVINCE AREA ON 16 AND 17 APRIL, ELEMENTS OF THE NVA 33D REGIMENT DISCUSSED THE FORMULATION OF BATTLE PLANS AND ALLIED BOMBARDMENT OF SPECIFIED AREAS. ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ 8. MILITARY REGION 2 IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE, ELEMENTS OF THE PROBABLE BEN TRE PROVINCIAL UNIT CONTINUED RECONNAISSANCE AND ISSUING REPORTS PERTAINING TO PAST TACTICAL ACTIVITY. THE MOVEMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAMESE UNITS WAS REPORTED BY PROVINCIAL UNIT ELEMENTS ON 11 AND 12 APRIL, WHILE MESSAGES ON 15 APRIL INCLUDED RESULTS OF A 13 APRIL ATTACK AGAINST AN UNDETERMINED ALLIED POST AND STRIKES AGAINST SOUTH VIETNAMESE MARINE UNITS. LATER, ON 17 APRIL, THE PROBABLE PROVINCIAL UNIT REPORTED ON ALLIED B-52 STRIKES AND FURTHERMOVEMENT OF ARVN UNITS. ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ XXHH 900 NNHH

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